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## **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Washington, DC 20231
Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to <u>respond to the Official Action dated</u>
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three months to March 25, 2002 ; the extension fee is:

[ ] \$460.00 (217) [X] \$920.00 (117).

[ ] The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated

[X] An extension fee in the amount of \$920.00 is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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